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**TO ALL IMM MEMBERS,**

**NOTICE OF 30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of IMM will be held as follows:

- Venue : Junior Ballroom, Intercontinental Kuala Lumpur
- Date : 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (Friday)
- Time : 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm

**AGENDA**

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. President's address
3. To approve the minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (\*)
4. To receive and adopt the 2019 report of the council presented by the Honorary Secretary of IMM (\*)
5. To receive and adopt the 2019 statement of accounts presented by the Honorary Treasurer of IMM (\*)
6. Handing over of Presidency
7. Election of 10 Council Members for 2020-2022 term
8. Tabling the appointment of external auditors for 2020 by the Honorary Treasurer of IMM
9. Appointment of two internal auditors for 2020
10. Any other matters

(\*) can be accessed electronically on IMM website ([www.iomm.org.my](http://www.iomm.org.my)) after 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020.

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Honorary Secretary, IMM

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2020

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3.00 pm	Welcome Remark by Mohd. Fairuz Bin Mohd Salleh, Chairman of Youth Professional IMM
3.10 pm	Opening Remark by Ts. Mohd Azmi Mohd Noor, President of IMM
3.20 pm – 3.40pm	<b>IMPACT IR 4.0 ON HR DEVELOPMENT</b> Dr. Mohamed Ackiel Mohamed, Senior Vice President Serba Dinamik Group Bhd
3.45pm – 4.05pm	Gajendran A/L. Karunanithi, Senior Executive, Tech Talent Development, MDEC
4.10pm – 4.30pm	Azrin Bin Aris, Director of Products & Innovation TM ONE, Telekom Malaysia
4.35pm	Token appreciation for speakers by President of IMM
4.45pm	Group Photo - End of session / Tea break
5.30pm	30th IMM Annual General Meeting
7.30pm	Networking/Refreshment or Dinner

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30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

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## LIST OF HONOURS

## IMM ADVISORS



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**2007 - 2012**

**Datuk Ir. Yeow Kian Chai**



**2002 - 2006**

**Dato' Dr. Mohd Ariffin Aton**



**1996 - 2001**

**Prof. Dato' Dr. Hj Mohd Mansor Salleh**

## HONORARY FELLOWS

**2018**

**Datuk Ir. (Dr.) Abdul Rahim Hashim**

**2017**

**Dato' Dr. Ir. Haji Mohd Abdul Karim Abdullah**

**2016**

**Dato' Dr. Ong Eng Long**

**2013**

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**2012**

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**2010**

**YAB. PEHIN Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud**

**2008**

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**2007**

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**2004**

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**2002**

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**2000**

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**1992**

**Brian Shone**

## IMM PAST PRESIDENTS



**2012 - 2016**

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**2008 - 2012**

**Dato' Dr. Ong Eng Long**



**2004 - 2008**

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# INSTITUTE OF MATERIALS, MALAYSIA

Updated on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) is a non-profit professional society that promotes honourable practice, professional ethics and encourages education in materials science, technology and engineering. Engineers, academicians, technicians, skilled workers and professionals are amongst its members exceeding 6800.

Registered with the Registrar of Societies on 6<sup>th</sup> November 1987, the Malaysian Materials Science & Technology Society (MMS) changed its name to the Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) on 16<sup>th</sup> June 1997. The objectives of IMM include the training and development of individuals and companies in Malaysia to attain professional recognition in various fields of materials science, technology and engineering.

IMM is administered by a council of 30 members, with volunteers leading more than 15 materials committees, and more than 4 regional chapters, and supported by a secretariat with full time staff.

### IMM Vision

To be internationally recognised leading institution in Materials Science and Technology.

### IMM Mission

- (1) To be the technical authority on material science and technology
- (2) To develop an enhance competency and skills for all categories and practitioner
- (3) To become an internationally recognized certifying body
- (4) To be the forum for industry and academia collaboration
- (5) To positively contribute to society and quality of life

The IMM membership is categorised into 6 different grades and open to anyone above the age of 17 years - individuals and companies keen in developing and contributing towards the growth of materials science, technology and engineering in Malaysia.

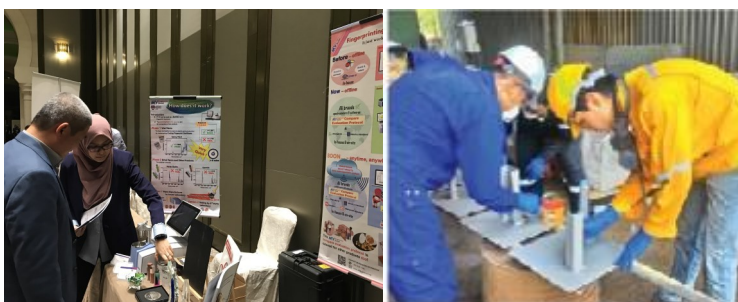
Over the years, IMM have conducted courses on coatings, coatings fingerprinting, corrosion, welding, vibration etc in support of the oil and gas industry in Malaysia. Over 600 Coatings Inspectors have been trained and certified as well as 2500 Blasters & Painters, Supervisors, Corrosion Technician and Vibration Practitioners. Its certification programmes are recognized by PETRONAS and all oil & gas operators. Since January 2011, 72 Associate Welding Engineers, 80 Welding Engineers, 20 Senior Welding Engineers and 24 Coating Fingerprint Quality Controllers were trained and certified.

IMM has also organised 10 International Materials Technology conferences (IMTCE) on a biennial basis, and numerous technical seminars, educational programmes, technical visits, and materials awareness programmes since 1988.

Public courses, such as Microbiologically Influenced Corrosion (MIC) and Welding Technology for Non-Welding Personnel, are being offered occasionally. Training on materials awareness has also been conducted in public listed companies.

The courses and programmes are being organised by Authorized Training Body/Bodies and Authorized Event Organizer/Organizers.

Collaborations with the Asian Welding Federation, The Society for Protective Coatings, US (SSPC), Sabah Skills Technology Centre (SSTC), and local universities continue to be part of IMM's vision and long term mission to educate, train and serve the materials fraternity.



## GENERAL INFORMATION ON MEMBERSHIP

The IMM Membership is open to all individuals and companies in developing the contribution of Materials science, technology and engineering towards industrial growth in Malaysia. The technology of materials is advancing day-to-day throughout the world. Membership to the IMM will enable networking and exchange of knowledge from a very wide variety of specialised areas of expertise. Please feel free to download or print a copy of the application form together with the IMM regulations. If you have any doubt, please do not hesitate to contact our secretariat through the phone; +603-4256-2286 or email to [secretariat@iommm.org.my](mailto:secretariat@iommm.org.my)

Annual subscriptions shall be payable in advance on 1<sup>st</sup> January of each year. Those admitted into the IMM between 1<sup>st</sup> July and 31<sup>st</sup> December in any year shall pay only half the annual subscription. Seniors (above 55 years old) get 50% discount off their annual subscriptions.

We have an online application for membership for selected grades. Membership application forms in document format can be accessed from [www.iomm.org.my](http://www.iomm.org.my).

Kindly fill the form and email to [secretariat@iommm.org.my](mailto:secretariat@iommm.org.my) or fax it to: +603-7880 1753 or send it to :

### IMM SECRETARIAT

Suite 515, Level 5, Block A, Kelana Centre Point (Lobby B),  
No. 3 Jalan SS 7/19, Kelana Jaya,  
47301 Petaling Jaya, Selangor

## IMM MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- (1) IMM activities offer members to interact and network with representative from the industry, academia and government related to the Materials profession.
- (2) Members will gain knowledge on career opportunities for their children, friends etc as IMM offers certification courses in skilled trades e.g. Welding, Painting, Inspection, Corrosion etc.
- (3) IMM-JWES Welding Engineer Certification program leading to a Welding Engineer Certification which offers great employment opportunities in the oil & gas, heavy industry, marine and energy sectors.
- (4) IMM publications – quarterly magazine plus annual conferences offer presenters an opportunity for their technical research or industry-academia papers to be published in ISI- and Scopus-index journals.
- (5) IMM organizes many free technical events for members to acquire new knowledge and networking opportunities. Participants to these events will also receive Certificate of Attendance for their Continuing Professional Development records.

## IMM MEMBERSHIP FEES SCHEDULE AS PER BELOW:

Description	Amount			
	Entrance Fee	Processing Fee	Transfer Fee	Annual Subscription
Fellow (F.I.M.M)	-	RM 300.00	RM 10.00	RM 150.00
Professional (M.I.M.M)	-	RM 150.00	RM 10.00	RM 100.00
Associate (A.M.I.M.M)	-	RM 150.00	RM 10.00	RM 80.00
Company	RM 50.00	-	-	RM 200.00
Ordinary	RM 20.00	-	-	RM 40.00
Student	RM 10.00	-	-	RM 10.00
Ordinary/ Company for affiliates	RM 40.00/ RM 50.00	-	-	NIL



## REGULATIONS GOVERNING ADMISSION AND TRANSFER OF MEMBER GRADES

The Council shall establish a Membership Committee which will be responsible for review of applications for transfer of membership grades. The Memberships Committee shall recommend transfers for Council approval at Council Meetings. All grades of memberships are awarded at the discretion of the Council and may be withheld or withdrawn in the event of conduct likely to prejudice the standing of the Institute. Every member shall receive a membership certificate.

The Memberships Committee shall be responsible for drafting the "Regulations Governing Admission and Transfer of Member Grades" for Council approval. These regulations may be changed from time to time subject to Council approval.

Every application for membership shall be proposed and seconded according to these regulations and shall be forwarded to the Honorary Secretary who shall, at the first convenient opportunity, submit it to the Council for approval the Council may at its discretion reject any application without assigning any reason thereof.

Each company on admission shall be entitled to nominate one representative to exercise all rights of membership. Only representatives of Company membership, Fellows (F.I.M.M.). Professional Members (M.I.M.M.) and Ordinary members shall have the right to vote and to hold office in IMM.

Only Malaysian Citizens, and Blue Identity Card Holders can become Ordinary Members, Associate Members (A.M.I.M.M.), Professional Members (M.I.M.M.) and Fellow Members (F.I.M.M.) with voting rights. Foreigners can join similar grades but shall have no voting rights.

## MEMBERSHIP GRADE & REQUIREMENT

### Honorary Fellow (Hon. F.I.M.M.)

The Council shall have the power to elect Honorary Fellows who shall be persons of eminence in science or industry. The election shall be based on a majority vote within the Council. Honorary fellows shall enjoy such privileges as may from time to time be determined by the Council.

### Fellow (F.I.M.M.)

A person at least 35 years of age with approved academic qualifications, training and 8 years relevant responsible experience who has made significant contributions to the science and practice of profession of Materials Science and Engineering or has given distinguished service to industry or education.

### Professional Member (M.I.M.M.)

A person at least 25 years of age, with approved academic qualifications and training, having at least 3 years responsible experience in Materials Science and Engineering, or a person at least 40 years of age, with at least 15 years of experience with practical responsibility, as demonstrated by thesis/dissertation or report and interview.

### Associate Member (A.M.I.M.M.)

A person at least 25 years of age, who possesses an interest in Materials Science and Engineering but have not acquired the necessary experience or obtained the qualification, governing entry to Member grade. An Associate Member, on obtaining the necessary qualifications, may apply for transfer to Member grade.

### Company Member

Any company that is involved or has interest in Materials Science and Engineering will be qualified to join as a company member.

### Ordinary Member

Any Malaysian Citizen and above the age of 18 years engaged in activities related to research, development and applications in Materials Science and Engineering shall qualify for Ordinary Membership. Only Ordinary Members who meet the necessary minimum requirements may apply for transfer to membership grades of Fellow, Member and Associate Member and may use the abbreviated titles upon transfer.

### Student Member

A student member shall be a person not under 17 years of age who at the time of application satisfies the Council that he has received a good general education and is studying subjects related to Materials Science or Engineering. A student member shall transfer to the grade of Ordinary Member after graduation provided he or she is suitably qualified and as soon as he or she is earning a full-time salary. A Student shall not become member of the IMM without the prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor or Head of Department of the university or relevant authority concerned.



Coating Fingerprinting Forum



IAVAC 2019



KLSF 2019



MLC 2019

## FREE Ordinary Membership for Affiliates:

The Institute of Materials, Malaysia will recognize various professional institutions and societies for **free membership** at "Ordinary Grade". Members of the recognized professional institutions and societies can become Ordinary Members of the IMM without any annual subscriptions. The Council of the IMM approved the proposal in accordance to IMM constitution clause no. 6.1.3 and the members at its 21<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting unanimously approved the proposal on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

Members of following institutions and societies are welcome to apply.

- (1) American Welding Society
- (2) Asian Welding Federation
- (3) Board of Architects Malaysia
- (4) Board of Engineers, Malaysia
- (5) Engineering Institutes under the Engineering Council of UK
- (6) Geological Society of Malaysia
- (7) Institut Kimia Malaysia
- (8) Institute of Corrosion UK
- (9) Institute of Materials Singapore
- (10) Institute of Physics Malaysia
- (11) Institution of Engineers, Malaysia
- (12) Jabatan Minerals & Geoscience
- (13) Malaysian Medical Association
- (14) Malaysian Nurses Association
- (15) Malaysian Society for Non-Destructive Testing
- (16) Malaysian Welding & Joining Society
- (17) National Association of Corrosion Engineers USA
- (18) Persatuan Arkitek Malaysia
- (19) Plastics & Rubber Institute of Malaysia
- (20) Singapore Welding Society
- (21) Society of Petroleum Engineers
- (22) Steel Structures Painting Council USA
- (23) The Welding Institute UK

## FREE Company Membership for Affiliates:

The Institute of Materials, Malaysia will recognize various professional institutions and societies for free membership at "Company Grade". Company Members of the recognized professional institutions, societies & associations can become Company Members of the IMM without any annual subscriptions. The Council of the IMM approved the proposal in accordance to IMM constitution clause no. 6.1.3 at its Penultimate Council Meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2014 which was endorsed at the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2014.

List of Free Company Memberships for Trade Associations:-

- (1) Federation of Malaysian Manufacturers (FMM)
- (2) Malaysian Offshore Contractors Association (MOCA)
- (3) Malaysian Oil & Gas Engineering Council (MOGEC)
- (4) Malaysian Oil & Gas Services Council (MOGSC)





# IMM ACTIVITIES 2019



**IMM International Applied Vibration Conference 2019:**  
**“Vibration Technology in the Era of Industrial Revolution 4.0”**  
 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> November 2019, Sheraton Imperial, Kuala Lumpur



**Technical Oration on Digital Radiography**

14<sup>th</sup> November 2018, SK3 Lecture Theatre, Faculty of Engineering & Science,  
 Curtin University, Miri, Malaysia



**Young Person's World Lecture Competition 2019**

10<sup>th</sup> October 2019, London, United Kingdom



**Strategic Collaboration between Politeknik Kota Kinabalu (PKK) and Institute of Materials, Malaysia**

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019, Bilik Tetamu PKK, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah



**MOGEC Golf Championship 2019**

2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019, Mines Resort Golf Club



**29<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019, Kelab Golf Negara Subang (KGNS)



**Appreciation Dinner with Datuk Ir. Dr. Abdul Rahim Hashim**

25<sup>th</sup> January 2019, Concorde Hotel, Shah Alam



**IMM-UiTM Student Chapter Academic Visit to Kualiti Alam - Cenviro**

6<sup>th</sup> March 2019, Kualiti Alam - Cenviro, Negeri Sembilan





**Workshop Accreditation Manual for Technology and Technical Programme Malaysia Board of Technologist Series - 2**  
25<sup>th</sup> January 2019, Corus Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**Asia Weld Tech 2019 and Asian Welding Federation Council Meeting**  
24<sup>th</sup> April 2019, German-Malaysian Institute, Bangi



**Forum on "Using Technology to Address Global Plastic and Environmental Issue"**  
22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019, Kelab Golf Negara Subang



**Forum on "Towards Polymeric Coating Fingerprinting" V: Big Wave**  
4<sup>th</sup> April 2019, Dewan Presiden, Kelab Golf Negara Subang (KGNS), Selangor, Malaysia



**Materials Lecture Competition 2019**  
3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019, Centre of Graduate Studies, UTeM main campus, Durian Tunggal, Melaka



**Participation of IMM Malaysia in the Sarawak Oil & Gas Seminar and Exhibition (SOGSE) 2019**  
13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> April 2019, Imperial Mall Hotel, Miri, Sarawak



**Making Inroads into the Land Transport Industry: Memorandum of Understanding between IMM and Prasarana Malaysia Bhd**  
19<sup>th</sup> April 2019, Alila Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur



**Memorandum of Understanding between Institute of Materials, Malaysia and Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia to Establish UTHM-IMM Materials Student Chapter**  
29<sup>th</sup> August 2019, Mudzaffar Hotel, Malacca



**IMM Corrosion Committee Half-Day Seminar and Site Visit to Prasarana Centre of Excellence and Rapid Rail Depot**  
27<sup>th</sup> June 2019, Prasarana Centre of Excellence (PACE), Kompleks Rapid Rail Subang, Petaling Jaya, Selangor



# IMM ACTIVITIES 2018



**Half-Day Seminar “Corrosion Controls and Prevention”  
and Site Visit to Navy Base, Lumut**

14<sup>th</sup> May 2018, Cawangan Penguasa Kejuruteraan Armada Pangkalan Tentera Laut Diraja Malaysia, Lumut



**Strategic Collaboration between Polytechnic of Sultan Azlan Shah, Ministry of Higher Education and Institute of Materials, Malaysia**

16<sup>th</sup> August 2018, Dewan Muallim, Behrang



**Corrosion Forum: Corrosion and Coatings Development in Industry**

5<sup>th</sup> July 2018, Universiti Teknologi MARA Shah Alam



**Materials Lecture Competition 2018**

3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur Campus



**First IMM International Applied Vibration Conference (IAVIC)**

21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018, Parkroyal, Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur



**Young Person's World Lecture Competition 2018**

11<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Fairview Course Arena, Port Elizabeth, South Africa



**Inaugural Symposium on Railway Infrastructure and Engineering**

24<sup>th</sup> January 2018, Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman Sungai Long Campus



**4<sup>th</sup> Malaysian Oil and Gas Services Exhibition and Conference (MOGSEC 2018)**

25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre



# IMM ACTIVITIES 2017



**1-Day Coating Conference**  
18<sup>th</sup> May 2017, Corus Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**1-Day Conference on Pipeline Corrosion Management**  
27<sup>th</sup> September 2017, Corus Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**Memorandum of Understanding Signing Ceremony  
Between IMM and South West JiaTong University**  
16<sup>th</sup> November 2017, Corus Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary IMM Dinner Photo Gallery**  
6<sup>th</sup> November 2017, Intercontinental Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**1-Day Conference on Insulation**  
16<sup>th</sup> March 2017, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia Space, Kuala Lumpur



**IMM Vibration Conference**  
16<sup>th</sup> November 2017, Corus Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**IMM & Society for Protective Coatings  
Cooperation Agreement Signing Ceremony**  
17<sup>th</sup> March 2017, PETRONAS Twin Tower, Kuala Lumpur



**IMM Friendly Futsal Game 2017**  
25<sup>th</sup> February 2017, Kompleks Rakan Muda Puchong (IM4U Central)



**1-Day Conference on Prevention of Loss of Primary  
Containment**  
1<sup>st</sup> November 2017, Bintulu





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# IMM ACTIVITIES 2016



**Vibration Awareness Seminar**  
17<sup>th</sup> November 2016, Promenade Hotel, Kota Kinabalu



**1-Day Conference Under Insulation**  
13<sup>th</sup> October 2016, Corus Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**Academy of Sciences Malaysia Conferment 2016**  
13<sup>th</sup> December 2016, Kuala Lumpur Convention Center



**Admission of The William Pit Fellow**  
13<sup>th</sup> October 2016, Pembroke College of Cambridge



**Coatings & Corrosion, Fabrication & Welding 2016**  
17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016, Putra World Trade Centre



**Young Person's World Lecture Competition 2016**  
8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> October 2016, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil



**10<sup>th</sup> International Materials Technology Conference & Exhibition 2016**  
16<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016, Putraworld Trade Centre



# IMM ACTIVITIES 2015



**Forum on "Towards Fingerprinting of Polymeric Coatings" IV**  
29<sup>th</sup> October 2015, Kelab Golf Negara Subang



**Young Person's World Lecture Competition 2015**  
22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015, Grogheda, Ireland



**Kuala Lumpur Engineering & Science Fair 2015**  
30<sup>th</sup> October 2015 - 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015, The Mines International Exhibition and Convention Centre



**The-first-of-its-kind IMM Coating Fingerprint Foundation Course in the world**  
10<sup>th</sup> September 2015, Holiday Inn Glenmarie



**5<sup>th</sup> Regional Materials Technology Conference**  
8<sup>th</sup> May 2015, Miri



**Materials Lecture Competition 2015**  
14<sup>th</sup> May 2015, Bangi-Putrajaya Hotel





**2<sup>nd</sup> International Materials Symposium cum 4<sup>th</sup> Regional Materials Technology Conference & Exhibition**  
12<sup>th</sup> September 2013, Eastwood Valley Golf & Country Club, Sarawak



**9<sup>th</sup> International Materials Technology Conference & Exhibition 2014**  
13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> May 2014, Putra World Trade Center



**Materials Lecture Competition 2013**  
30<sup>th</sup> May 2013, Seri Pacific Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**Seminar on Materials & Asset Integrity**  
21<sup>st</sup> March 2014, Kelab Golf Negara Subang



**Young Person's World Lecture Competition 2014**  
23<sup>th</sup> October 2014, California, USA



**Forum on Specialty Polymers for High Temperature & High Pressure Application in the Oil & Gas Industry**  
14<sup>th</sup> June 2013, PETRONAS Twin Towers, Kuala Lumpur



**Forum on Towards Fingerprinting of Polymeric Coatings I**  
22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013, Kelab Golf Negara Subang (KGNS)  
**Forum on Towards Fingerprinting of Polymeric Coatings II**  
11<sup>th</sup> October 2013, Tanjung Puteri Golf Resort  
**Forum on "Towards Fingerprinting of Polymeric Coatings" III**  
20<sup>th</sup> June 2014, Glenmarie Golf and Country Club



**IMM  
ACTIVITIES  
2012-2009**



**Pipeline Integrity Seminar & Networking Cocktail**  
20<sup>th</sup> September 2012, Kuala Lumpur



**Evening Talk on the "Good & Bad Practise in Fabrication and Use of Stainless Steel"**  
6<sup>th</sup> December 2012, Kuala Lumpur



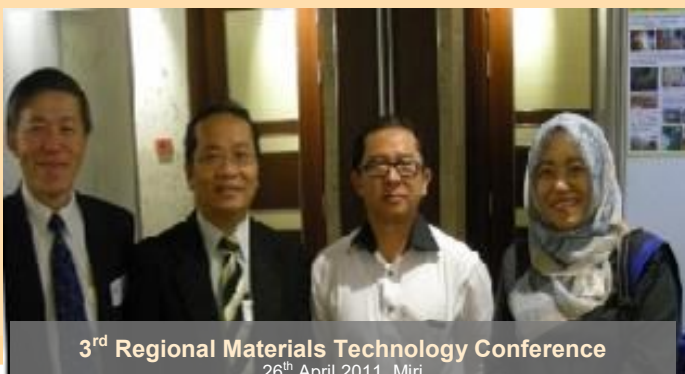
**7<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION 2010**  
14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011, Hilton Hotel, Kuching



**8<sup>th</sup> International Materials Technology Conference & Ex-hibition 2012**  
9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012, Sunway Resort & Spa, Selangor



**"Advanced Coatings Standard & Technology" Symposium Jointly Organised by IMM-SSPC MoU Signing Ceremony**  
15<sup>th</sup> November 2011, Glenmarie Golf & Country Club



**3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Materials Technology Conference**  
26<sup>th</sup> April 2011, Miri



**IMM Expands Into Sabah and Sarawak (2009)**  
From Left: John Wong Pak Kung (Chairman IMM Labuan Chapter), Andrew Ronggie (Advisor IMM Kuching Chapter), Nurul Adzwan Sulaiman (Chairman IMM Kuching Chapter)





**6<sup>th</sup> International Materials Technology Conference & Exhibition 2008**

14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> June 2008, Hilton Hotel, Kuching



**Plenary Session, Charity Golf, Technical Factory Visit in Conjunction with IMM 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Meeting**

17<sup>th</sup> October 2001, MSE Training Centre, Pasir Gudang



**Seminar on "New Coating Technology"**

26<sup>th</sup> March 2008, Holiday Inn Glenmarie Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**5<sup>th</sup> International Materials Technology Conference & Exhibition 2006**

17<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> July 2006, Crowne Plaza Mutiara Hotel, Kuala Lumpur



**3<sup>rd</sup> International Materials Engineering & Technology Conference & Exhibition "Engineering Materials in the Millenium"**

23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> May 2002, Holiday Inn, Miri



**4<sup>th</sup> International Materials Technology Conference & Exhibition 2004 (IMTCE2004) & MoU Signing Ceremony between IMM-Intermerger SDN BHD on the Formation of Materials Technology Education Sdn Bhd**

23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> March 2004, Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur



**2<sup>nd</sup> International Materials Engineering & Technology Conference & Exhibition 1999**

25<sup>th</sup> March 1999, Sheraton Hotel Subang



**1<sup>st</sup> International Materials Technology Conference & Exhibition**

1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1990, Putra World Trade Centre



**2<sup>nd</sup> International Materials Engineering & Technology Conference & Exhibition 1999**

25<sup>th</sup> March 1999, Sheraton Hotel Subang

**DID YOU KNOW**

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Founders of **Malaysian Materials Science & Technology Society (MMS)**  
6<sup>th</sup> November 1987, Subang Jaya



Prof. Dato' Dr. Hj Mohd Mansor Salleh



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# FINGERPRINTING OF POLYMERIC COATINGS

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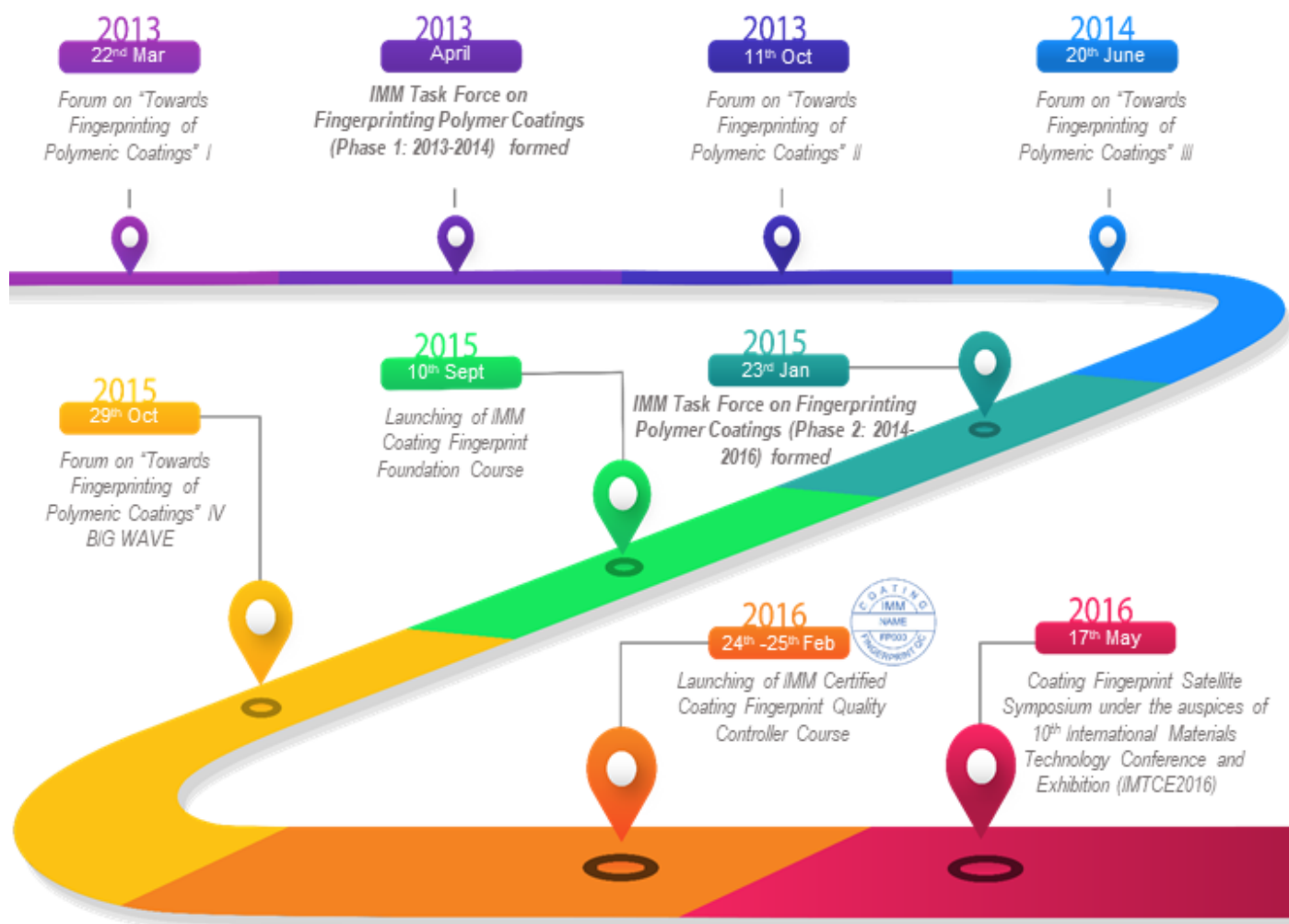
## Background

The oil & gas industry has been suffering with corrosion on their newly painted steel structures regardless of having the MILL CERTIFICATE for steel structures as part of compliance requirements. Often, the paint fails prematurely by means within 6 to 18 months of application that in time lead to corrosion on the steel structures. Thus, IMM developed the **IMM Coating Inspector Certification and IMM Blaster and Painter Certification** program in 1990 to enhance the quality of local coating inspectors and blaster & painters, respectively. Nevertheless, the problems still arise and continue worsening. Now, the oil & gas industry realized that the attributing factors of premature coatings failures not only limited to painting work inspection, surface preparation, paint application etc but could be from the faulty paints.

Over the years, it has been in practice that paint manufacturers in Malaysia only provide quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) documents such as certificates of analyses related to physical tests, and sometimes material safety data sheet (MSDS) without third-party verification for batch-to-batch paint supplied to the job sites. The users have no other means to verify the batch-to-batch paint's consistency on-site. Previously, there was a perspective in the industry that certification of polymeric coatings was not possible because the expertise on spectroscopic analyses and interpretation of results for such purpose were not available. Hence, the establishment of **Coating Fingerprint Certificate** for polymeric coatings supplied to the oil & gas companies did not materialize for many years.

## Objectives

In 2013, IMM initiated an industry-academia collaboration between the academic Council Members of IMM from various Malaysian universities with various industry sectors such as oil & gas companies, paint manufacturers, Fourier-Transform Infrared (FTIR) instrument vendors and Coating Consultants by forming a Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting to tackle an industrial challenge on fingerprinting of polymeric coatings. The main goal of this Task Force is to enhance the overall QA & QC of the polymeric coatings, with the aim of ensuring the polymeric coatings supply conform to users' specifications.





**Current Progress**

IMM Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting (Phase 3: 2018-2020) has been formed in September 2018 and one mock execution on coating fingerprinting has been conducted in the early of 2019. It comprised the study of FTIR analyses and performance tests of more off-shore coating products e.g. inorganic zinc coating, epoxy-zinc coating, high solids epoxy coating, polyurethane coating, glass flake polyester coating and silicone-aluminum coating. The analyses with reference to IMM FP01:2019 have been carried out using bench-top, mobile and handheld FTIR spectrophotometers. Recently, UiTM research team (on behalf of Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting) that leads by Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Melissa Chan Chin Han and Prof. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Kamal Harun participated in a few national-level innovation competitions and international exhibitions with the intention of highlighting and promoting the implementation plan of the Coating Fingerprinting. The team has won several prizes in the competitions and the team wishes to share the achievements and the prizes with all committee members of IMM Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting of Phase 1, Phase 2 and Phase 3.

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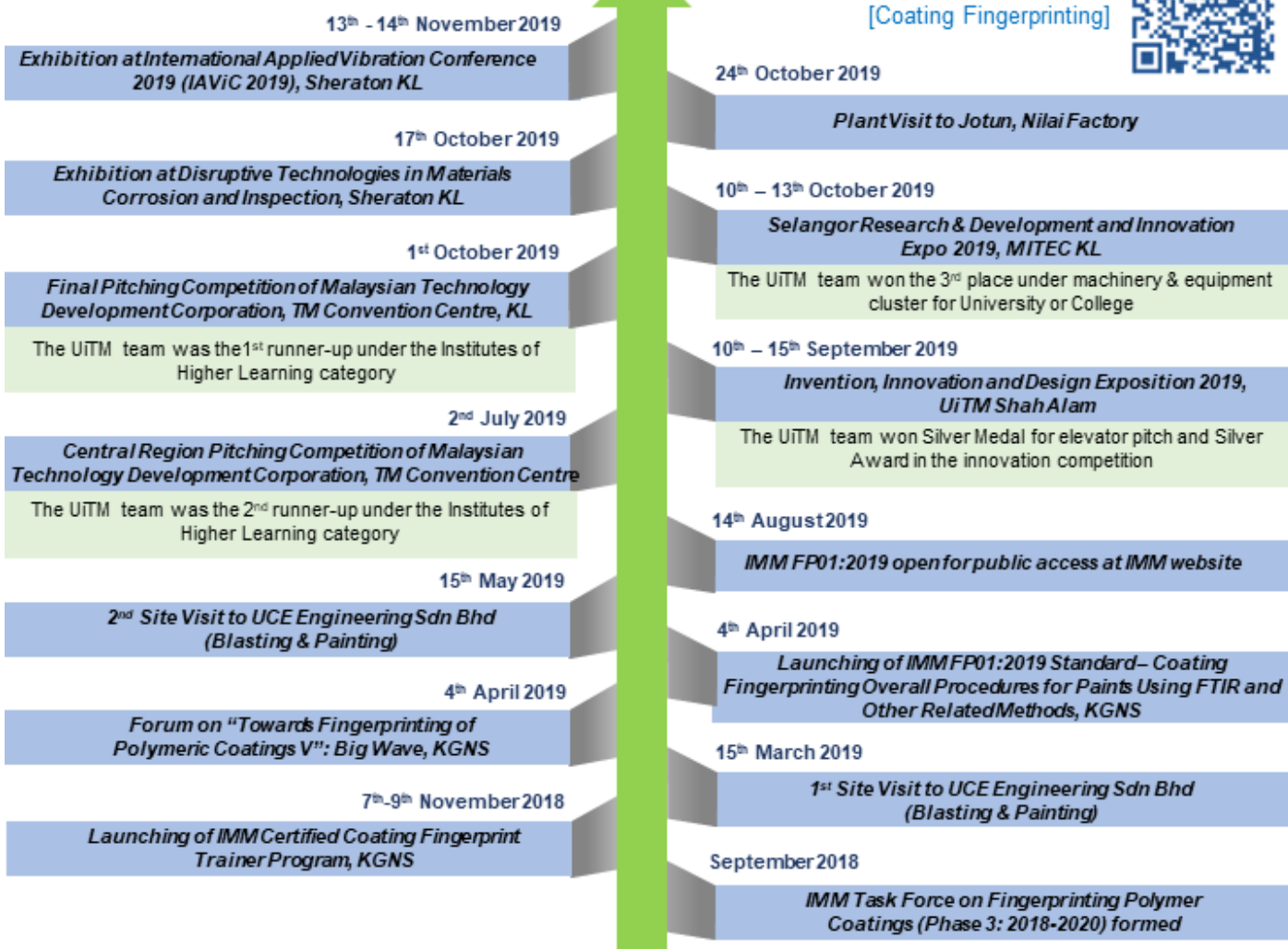


Figure 1: Group photo taken after the completion of 5<sup>th</sup> Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019



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# FTIR Fingerprinting of Raw Materials for Epoxy Paint Manufacturing

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## Abstract

Consistency of raw materials for epoxy paint manufacturing was investigated. Selected raw materials comprised of Epikote™ resins and some organic solvents collected from different paint manufacturers are discussed in this study. FTIR spectra of raw materials were compared using a commercial FTIR software utilizing *high sensitivity compare* function. With acceptance criteria of degree of similarity ( $r \geq 0.898$ ), results show that a normal grade Epikote™ yields  $r$  value below 0.898 when compared to that of premier grade Epikote™. All studied samples including solvents exhibits homogeneous mix across different sampling locations (Top, Middle and Bottom) in the sample containers and Top location can be used for QA/QC purpose. For a particular premier grade of organic-based raw material where samples were collected from different paint manufacturers,  $r$  values are all above 0.898. This suggests the chemical composition of the premier grade of the particular raw materials is at close approximation.

## Introduction

Adulterated protective paint has raised concerns in the oil and gas industry due to the increasing cost of corrosion to repair the onshore/offshore steel structures. Other factors such as improper paint specification, incorrect surface preparation, incompetent applicators and time constraints at job site also contribute to premature coating failure. With some blame directed towards incompetent applicators, initiatives to improve the skills of (blasters and painters) technicians, engineers, and supervisors had been initiated worldwide including Malaysia. Although the skills of blasters/painters had been improved significantly through certifications and the supplied paints come along with a ‘mill certificate’ as part of product conformance, premature coating failure still occurs. As such in 2013, the Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) formed a Task Force to improve the quality control of supplied paint. This leads to the generation of “IMM Coating Fingerprint” certification scheme [1] for quality control of supplied paint. IMM recently released a standard (IMM FP01:2019) [2] detailing the procedures to fingerprint manufacturers’

paints by Fourier Transform InfraRed (FTIR) spectroscopy. This document filled the practical gap of existing international standards such as ISO 12944-9:2018 [3], ASTM D2621-87(2016) [4] and ASTM D7588-11(2018) [5] or similar purpose. Insufficient details and workable guidelines, about FTIR evaluation (interpretation of the spectra) of the wet paints from the mixing tank immediately after each batch of the production in the paint factory, inspired the IMM Task Force to draft a step-by-step evaluation protocol about FTIR fingerprinting of paints using FTIR equipped with attenuated total reflectance (ATR) sampling accessory.

The technique of ATR-FTIR using a *high sensitivity compare* function to compare between the sample spectra and Reference spectrum had been successfully applied to two-pack epoxy paints [6]. Acceptance criteria of degree of similarity ( $r \geq 0.900 \pm 0.002$ ) [7] had been accepted for the consistency of two-pack epoxy paint for batch-to-batch production by the IMM Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting. Previous studies [6, 8] also conclude that the FTIR spectra from different brands of spectrophotometers can be analyzed using the commercial FTIR softwares utilizing *high sensitivity compare* function. All previous studies reported on the two-pack epoxy paint [8-10] and raw material pigments [6, 11] with no information concerning the FTIR fingerprinting of other raw materials.

The raw materials used in the epoxy paint manufacturing are comprised of primarily binders (epoxy and amine), pigments (TiO<sub>2</sub>, ZnO, etc.), solvents (isobutanol, xylene, white spirit, etc.) and other additives. With price competition in global market, some raw material suppliers claimed that they could provide equivalent or normal grade raw materials with cheaper price as compared to the premier grade of a particular raw material. Questions arise to whether the normal and premier grades with huge price difference can be distinguished *via* FTIR fingerprinting in order to reveal how these ‘equivalent’ grade raw materials with cheaper price differ from raw materials of higher price through degree of similarity of FTIR spectra. Since the control of raw materials’ quality is crucial to formulate high performance protective paint that could last as intend-

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# Coating Fingerprint Certification: Towards Malaysian and ISO Standards

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## Flash Back

Development in **Coating Fingerprint Certificate** initiated by the Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) has traversed progressively since 2013. This initiative is a successful showcase of industry-academia collaboration to solve an industrial challenge on fingerprinting of polymeric coatings. The academic Council Members of IMM from various Malaysia universities were in collaboration with oil companies, paint manufacturers [1-3], Fourier-transform infrared (FTIR) instrument vendors and Coating Consultants (forming Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting) [4-8].

Despite having a MILL CERTIFICATE for steel structures as part of compliance requirements, the oil & gas companies have been still facing corrosion on their newly painted steel structures. In 1990, **IMM Coating Inspector Certification** program was developed in order to upskill the local coating inspectors. In 2000, IMM developed another certification program, *i.e.* **IMM Blaster & Painter Certification**, to upskill blasters & painters. However, premature coating failures continue to get worse and the oil & gas industry realized that the failure could also be caused by the batch-to-batch consistency of the paints supplied on-site. However, during that time, there was widespread perception within the oil and gas industry that certification of polymeric coatings was not possible because the expertise on spectroscopic analyses and interpretation of results for such purpose were not available.

## Current Status

Up-to-date, **five public forums** had been organized by the IMM between 2013 and 2019 to create awareness for the practicality of the fingerprinting of polymeric

coatings [9-15]. The IMM Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting completed two phases of work; in which Phase 1 (2013-2014) instigated: FTIR spectroscopy is a simple and reliable tool for the study of reproducibility (*i.e.* to fingerprint) of the 2-pack epoxy coatings (resin and hardener). The fingerprinting regions of FTIR for epoxy resin and hardener were identified and the **confidence level of acceptance (degree of similarity)** for quality assurance or quality control (QA/QC) control was proposed at  $\geq 0.900$  [6, 9, 11, 16]. Phase 2 (2015-2016) involved the appreciation of the root causes of coating failures particularly in Malaysia and the adoption of Coating Fingerprinting initiative by the Malaysian oil & gas operators as one useful QA/QC tool for ensuring coating quality [10]. It also led to the establishment of 1-day IMM Foundation Course on Coating Fingerprinting and 2-day IMM Certification Course for Coating Fingerprint Quality Controller [9, 17-21]. The study suggested that premature coating failure is caused by a number of concurrent factors including:

- 1) Surface preparation of the substrates (blaster skills & techniques),
- 2) Application of the coatings (applicator skills and techniques),
- 3) Environmental factors (weather, temperature, humidity etc during blasting & painting),
- 4) Quality of paint materials including paints, thinners and additives,
- 5) Project production schedules and management (rush jobs can lead to failures),
- 6) Owner specifications and standards for paint systems and applications,
- 7) Mechanical damage during installation and erection,
- 8) Impractical design of structures and equipment for good painting, and
- 9) Blasting & painting contractors' key performance index (KPI) on area of work completion.

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# FTIR Fingerprinting for Polymeric and Organic-based Products from (Un)authorized Retailers

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## Abstract

Fourier-transform infrared (FTIR) is a reliable tool for the study of reproducibility of batch-to-batch wet paints for oil & gas industry. Procedures from the Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) Standard (IMM FP01:2019) are referenced and adopted partially to other polymeric and organic-based products such as water bottles and liquid lipsticks. The estimation of degree of similarity ( $r$ ) between the same brand products from different retailers (*i.e.* authorized retailers from department stores and unauthorized retailers from local markets) is attempted. The price difference of the products from authorized retailers is roughly 17 times higher as compared to the unauthorized retailers. FTIR results show significant difference between the Reference spectra (products from authorized retailers) as compared to the sample spectra (products from unauthorized retailers) with  $r \ll 0.898$ . This may imply that the water bottles from authorized and unauthorized retailers (or the liquid lipsticks), which have similar physical appearance in terms of the products as well as the packaging, are not “equivalent” products in term of chemical compositions. Lastly, FTIR is a quick and non-destructive testing tool to fingerprint polymeric and organic-based products for quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC).

## Introduction

FTIR spectroscopy, equipped with Attenuated Total Reflectance (ATR) sampling accessory, has been widely used for qualitative and quantitative identification of components in paint and coating material, as it is fast, reliable and requires little or no sample preparation [1–4]. Previous studies show the efficiency and reproducibility of FTIR results to fingerprint wet paints for steel structures for oil & gas industry. The FTIR structural analysis studies on fingerprinting to compare different wet paints or to check the batch-to-batch paint production consistency are demonstrated experimentally [2–5]. Good reproducibility is obtained by using ATR sampling accessory as compared to that of KBr pellet method (*i.e.* transmittance mode) in some cases. For example, Almeida *et.al.* (2002) demonstrated unwanted secondary reactions when KBr is mixed with highly hygroscopic samples [6].

A lot of studies on the proposed fingerprinting paint procedures require basic understanding in chemistry and spectroscopy, therefore highly skilled and trained analysts are needed for results interpretation. One of the examples, Duce *et.al.* (2014) reveals the effect of a new alkyd paint formulation on the artificial ageing process and the stability of the fast drying oil colour alkyd paint on an artwork [7]. Their study focuses on selected regions of FTIR spectra in order to differentiate artificial (for paint replicas) and natural (for real paints) degradation of paintings. Another example, Szafarska *et.al.* (2009) proposed a method consists of several stages encompassing several normalization and subtraction processes to extract mathematically the pure paint spectrum from the spectrum of paint coat on different bases, acquired by ATR-FTIR technique for forensic purpose. The similarity of the spectrum obtained with the Reference spectrum was estimated by means of the normalized Manhattan distance [8].

For routine QA/QC, the proposed approaches as in Refs [7,8] are deemed unpractical, costly and time consuming. The FTIR fingerprinting approach used according to IMM FP01 (Coating Fingerprinting Overall Procedures for Paints and Other Related Methods) [9] is inspired by ATR-FTIR fingerprinting of the wet paints in reference to the wet paints approved during tender’s qualification, no sample preparation is needed and even an O-level skilled personnel is able to interpret the testing results by “accept” or “reject” the sample. Selected testing procedures as in Ref [9] are adopted for the studies of raw materials and 2-pack epoxy paints for offshore oil & gas industry[2–4].

According to Chan and Teo (2013) [2], there are a few existing Standards on FTIR fingerprinting of the wet paints from the mixing tank immediately after each batch of the production in the paint factory, such as ISO 12944-9:2018 [10], ASTM D2621-87(2016) [11] and ASTM D7588-11(2018) [12]. However, there are insufficient details and guides stated in those Standards for the interpretation of FTIR spectra, *i.e.* the practical approaches on estimation of the degree of similarity between two FTIR spectra for the same or different wet paints.

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# 2020 IMM LECTURE COMPETITION

## INTRODUCTION

Materials Lecture Competition (MLC) is a National event mainly organized by Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) and Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining (IOM3) UK. This nation-wide competition is an initiative intended to enhance awareness among young Materials Scientists and Engineers in Malaysia on the importance of Materials Engineering and sustainability in the advancement of technology and humankind.

For MLC 2020, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) has been given the honour by IMM to host the competition alongside with IMM and IOM3. We look forward to welcome all participants for the Semi Final and Final Competition that will be held in UPM, Serdang, Selangor.

## RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

The Materials Lecture Competition 2020 (MLC 2020) is open to any profession or students in Malaysia (except academic staff). They must not be over 28 years old on the 1 July 2020. Participant must deliver a 15-minutes presentation on a topic related to Materials or Minerals Science and Engineering. The topic may cover on the participant's current research work or project from the following areas of interest (but not limited to) Materials Development, Characterization, Processing and Applications, Minerals and Geologically related disciplines.

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Once the submission has been processed and successful, an e-mail confirmation will be sent to the respective university representative/IMM.

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University representative/IMM is responsible to submit the participant detail via online form together with the name, a copy of IC (Malaysian Participant) or Passport (International Participant), phone number, e-mail address and an abstract of a maximum of 150 words.

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# Structural Characterization at Various Melting Temperatures of Nanosilver-Doped Polyphenylene Sulfide Conductive Polymers

## Introduction

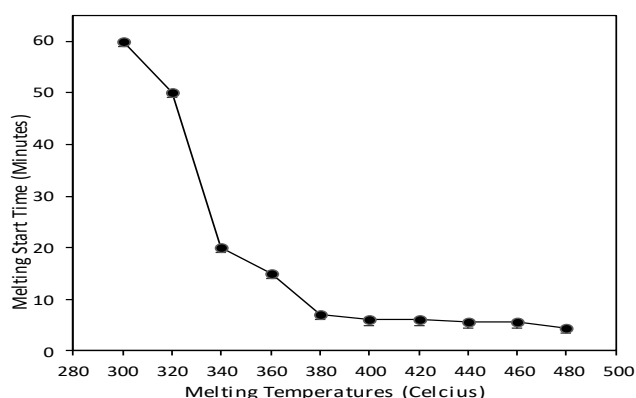
Conductive polymers are challenged with limited charge transfer; hence this limits its applications to microelectronics. For high voltage applications, charge mobility is essential to allow high conductivity and reduce transmission loss. In this view, Polyphenylene sulfide (PPS) has been known to be doped to enhance the conductivity with various material such as copper and carbon nanotubes [1, 2]. Due to its high conductivity, silver is the most promising candidate [3]. However, identifying appropriate melting temperature of the solid solution remains a challenge for effective doping process. Nevertheless, by reducing the size of silver to nanoparticles, the diffusion of Nanosilver could be most effective.

## Investigation Procedure

Experiments were conducted with varying melting temperature in the range of 300-480 °C. The threshold melting temperature was determined by melting process in the range of 300-400°C but the effective melting temperatures were observed by melting the solid solution within the range of 400-480°C. The detail method was reported in authors' previous research [4, 5]. Morphology evolutions from these experiments were studied using SEM.

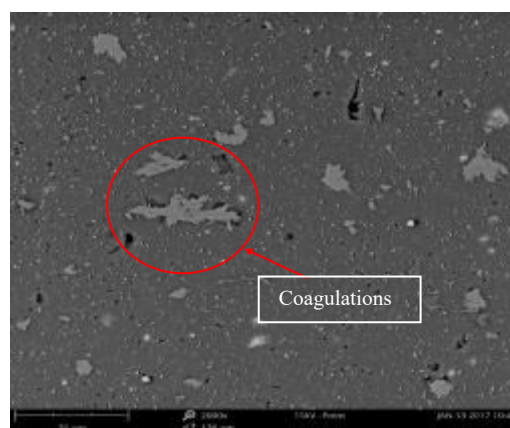
## Discussion on Threshold Melting Temperature

In the temperature range from 300 °C to 360 °C, it was observed that the solid solution had not melted completely within the 15 minutes. In other words, at these temperatures the heat energy was insufficient to excite thermally the solid solution i.e. melt the entire mixture and trigger diffusion. When the temperatures were increased to 380 °C and 400 °C, complete melting of the solid solution occurred. The time taken when the mixture started to melt were found drop significantly to below 8 minutes when the melting temperature was increased from 380 °C. It is understood that there is sufficient heat absorbed by the Nanosilver for the continuous heat supplied to melt the polymer. The organometallic hybrid was observed to completely melt at above 380°C and stabilized at 400 °C within 15 minutes. This indicated that the threshold temperature for melting the solid solution is 380 °C. This temperature is significantly higher than the typical melting temperature of solid PPS found in the literatures of around 280-290 °C [6, 7]. This threshold temperature for melting led the process of finding the correlation of thermal effect to the effective melting temperature of the mixture. The relation between the complete melting time and melting temperature are shown in Figure 1. The complete melting time had a significant behavior change from 300 °C to 380 °C. It is observed that the most significant drop occurred between 320 °C to 340 °C. From temperatures 340 °C to 380 °C, the time taken to melt were stabilized afterwards at around 6 minutes. i.e. Melting start time reduced significantly at 380 °C and stabilized within 400 °C to 480 °C.



**Figure 1** Characteristics graph of melting start time versus melting temperature.

Figure 2 shows microstructure of Nanosilver doped PPS solid solution at 400 °C where there are bright masses visible across the sample. These are non-uniformly distributed non-melting PPS coagulations. However, in this case, the coagulations are insignificant and could only be seen under SEM microscopy.



**Figure 2** Micrograph of the Nanosilver doped PPS at 400 °C.

## Conclusion

In conclusion, the offset behavior of Nanosilver doped PPS conductive polymer at varying melting temperature was interestingly revealed. Such a finding offers an effective doping procedure for high voltage application of enhanced conductive polymer.

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# Participation of IMM with IMM-UiTM Student Chapter in Sciences and Technology Carnival 2019



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**Date: 28<sup>th</sup> September 2019**  
**Venue: Sports Centre Complex of UiTM Shah Alam**

The Sciences and Technology Carnival (CASTECH) 2019 was organised by the Faculty of Applied Sciences (FSG) of Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) on 28th September 2019 at the Sports Centre Complex of UiTM Shah Alam. Motivational talks relating to science and technology and 3-Minute Science Talk Competition were the main events in addition to the Drone Innovation showcases, tour to the science laboratories at the faculty and several research exhibitions by the students. The carnival also featured a promotional talk titled "Let's Join FSG" to attract the students of high schools and matriculation colleges to consider FSG as one of the options to pursue for higher academic qualifications. IMM took the chance to co-participate in the carnival with UiTM-IMM Student Chapter as an exhibitor.

The main objectives of IMM's participation in the carnival were to introduce the Institute and its certification programs to the visitors of the carnival and to promote the membership of IMM. A number of UiTM and college/school students visited IMM's booth in pursuit of getting to know more about IMM and what IMM has to offer. Those who visited the booth were given a goodie bag packed with IMM Materials Mind magazine, brochures of IMM membership and certification programs. There was significant interest shown by students and lecturers alike in IMM membership.

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# 1-Day Conference on Disruptive Technologies in Materials Corrosion and Inspection



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**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**Venue: Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur**

The 1-day Conference on “Disruptive Technologies in Materials Corrosion and Inspection” Conference organized by the Corrosion Committee of Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019 ended on a successful note with participation from 135 delegates, 40 undergraduate students, 20 exhibitors, 11 speakers and 7 sponsors. The conference began with an opening address by IMM President, Ts. Mr. Mohd. Azmi Mohd. Noor followed by keynote presentation by Head of Centre for Corrosion Research, University Teknologi Petronas (Deputy Co-Chair of IMM Corrosion Committee), Assoc. Prof. Ir. Dr. Mokhtar Che Ismail.



Figure 1: Opening speech by Ts. Mohd. Azmi Mohd. Noor



Figure 2: Keynote presentation by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mokhtar Che Ismail

The annual event has provided an effective platform in creating useful networks between users and vendors, learning new technologies and sharing of experience among professionals from various industries and academia. There was a total of 9 technical presentations with PETRONAS sending the most delegates (25 pax with 2 presenters), followed by Sarawak Shell Berhad with 8 delegates and a speaker.



Figure 3: Keynote presentation by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mokhtar Che Ismail



Figure 4: Engaging presentation from one of the presenters

The vendor exhibition through-out the day enabled delegates and exhibitors the opportunity to network and had received very positive feedback from the participants. The expert panel session had drawn much attention and constructive engagement between the delegates and presenters.



Figure 5: Networking session during break time

Finally, IMM Corrosion committee would like to express its appreciation to the local and overseas presenters, delegates and the following exhibitors who had participated in the conference:

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## Malaysia Finalist Participation in Young Persons' World Lecture Competition 2019



Reported by: Prof. Dr. Azizah Shaaban (UTeM), UTeM-MLC Committee & Lam Jia Yong (UPM), MLC 2019 Winner/Malaysia Finalist in YPWLC 2019  
 Edited by: Prof. Dr Esah Hamzah, Chairperson of Materials Lecture Competition Committee

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019**  
**Venue: IOM3 Headquarters, London U.K.**

Young Persons' World Lecture Competition (YPWLC) has been organised and held annually by the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining (IOM3), United Kingdom (UK) with the objective to encourage young materials scientists and engineers to develop their communication skills. In the modern-day world, it is essential to be able to convey complex technical research output in a more comprehensible way to non-specialist audience. Each year, winners of the national finals from around the world are selected to represent their countries in the world final of YPWLC which is held annually in a different location around the globe.

The competition this year (YPWLC 2019) which was held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at IOM3 Headquarters in London, UK was sponsored by Companhia Brasileira de Metalurgia e Mineração (CBMM), and supported by Rolls-Royce. Malaysia was represented by Materials Lecture Competition 2019 winner, Mr. Lam Jia Yong from Universiti Putra Malaysia. He was placed second in the YPWLC 2019 for his lecture on "DNA biosensor based on optical fibre for the detection of pathogen: A novel approach". His presentation summarized his PhD research on the development of a new diagnostic method for leptospirosis (rat urine disease) using optical fibre, a material commonly used in the communication fields. As the runner-up, Jia Yong was awarded prize money of £1,500, a MacBook Air and a certificate. Tamlyn Naidu from South Africa won the first prize and Morgan Lehtinen of Canada came in on third place. Prof. Dr. Azizah Shaaban from Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka (UTeM) also attended the event as a representative of the Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) and to give moral support to Jia Yong.

This year in YPWLC 2019, the nine finalists from all around the world (UK, Malaysia, Brazil, Australia, Canada, South Africa, Singapore, Hong Kong and Russia), were treated to an all-expenses paid trip to London for a week. Aside from the competition, the finalists also took part in a series of activities organised by IOM3. The finalists also visited the Roll-Royce Heritage Site and toured Cambridge University Department of Materials Science and Metallurgy as well as sightseeing tour around London, bowling, and a visit to a primary school, where each of them gave a shorter version of their presentation to a crowd of Year 6 pupils.



Figure 1: Jia Yong delivering his presentation "DNA biosensor based on optical fibre for the detection of pathogen: A novel approach" in front of the judging panel and audience (Photo by courtesy of IOM3, UK)



Figure 2: Jia Yong receiving his prizes as 2nd place winner in the YPWLC2019 (Photo by courtesy of IOM3, UK)



Figure 3: The winners with the judging panel. From left: Dr. Philip Bischler (Chair of judging panel), Jia Yong, Tamlyn Naidu (South Africa, 1st place), Morgan Lehtinen (Canada, 3rd place), Professor Serena Best (President of IOM3), Clémence Dutot (CBMM), Dr. Kate Thorton (Vice-President of IOM3) (Photo by courtesy of IOM3, UK)



Figure 4: The nine finalists were posing for a group photo outside the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining (IOM3) (Photo by courtesy of IOM3, UK)

## Plant Visit to Jotun Paints (M) Sdn Bhd



Reported by: Norsyazlin Abd Rashid, Universiti Teknologi MARA, committee member of Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting  
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 Mr. Lee Choon Siong, Jotun (M) Sdn. Bhd., committee member of Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting

**Date: 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**Venue: Jotun Paints (M) Sdn. Bhd., Lot 9143, PN 38500, Kawasan Perindustrian Nilai, 71800 Nilai, Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia**



Committee members of the Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting of Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) visited Jotun Paint (M) Sdn. Bhd. located in Nilai, Negeri Sembilan on 24th October 2019. This visit was organized by Mr. Lee Choon Siong, Jotun (M) Sdn. Bhd. One of the prime objectives of this plant visit was to expose the committee members on the paint manufacturing process as well as the in-house quality control and quality assurance (QA/QC) processes for protective coatings.

Mr. Beh Yong Hooi, Nilai Factory Manager of Jotun Paint Malaysia, welcomed all the guests during the plant visit. This was followed by a short briefing by Mr. Ismail on the plant safety and Mr. Beh Yong Hooi on Jotun's plant operation and business activities. Established in year 1983, Jotun Malaysia is a subsidiary of Jotun A/S in Norway. The Norway headquarters office is located at Gimle, Sandefjord and the Malaysia headquarters office is located at Shah Alam, Selangor. The Jotun Group is one of the market leaders for oil & gas, infrastructure, marine, energy and petrochemical industries.



*Figure 1: Briefing by Mr. Beh Yong Hooi on the company's profile and Jotun products*

In 2009, Jotun Singapore embarked on a journey with Jotun Malaysia to form a Liger operation. Singapore closed its production facilities in December 2011. Paints are now being shipped from Malaysia factory daily. Then, Jotun Singapore officially merged with Jotun Malaysia in July 2016 to form Jotun Liger with one management team but as two separate entities for statutory purposes. Presently, Jotun Singapore operates out of its Sales-Service-Logistics and Training Centre at 37 Tuas View Crescent. While, Jotun Malaysia operates out a waterborne factory in Shah Alam, a solvent based factory and powder coating factory in Nilai.


The IMM committee members were briefed on the overview of the manufacturing plant, manufacturing processes, research & development for protective coatings; and lastly on QA/QC processes. The tour began with the visit to the mixing tanks of the paints. Then, members visited the storage compartments of raw materials and paints for both fresh and retained samples. Members were exposed to various QA/QC tests at Jotun's in-house laboratory and were impressed by the company's readiness for the implementation of coating fingerprinting in near future. IMM thanked Jotun Paints (M) Sdn. Bhd. for hosting this plan visit.



*Figure 2: Briefing by Mr. Greg Lim on the QA/QC processes and the implementation Coating Fingerprint exercise for in-coming raw materials and paint products*



*Figure 3: Front row from left to right: Mr. Mohammad Ariff Sukur (Shell), Mr. Edison Mandak (Shell), Ms. Norsyazlin Abd Rashid (UiTM), Mr. Beh Yong Hooi (Jotun), Mr. Lee Choon Siong (Jotun), Ms. Suhaaila Idayu Abdul Halim (UiTM).  
 Second row from left to right: Ms. Hairunnisa Ramli (UiTM), Ms. Ismaliza Ismail (LGM), Mr. Hilton Smith (Shell), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yu Lih Jiun (UCSI), Ts. Dr. Chew Khooon Hee (TAR UC), Dr. Mahmood Anwar (Curtin University), Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Melissa Chan Chin Han (UiTM), Mr. Quah Kean Gin (Jotun), Mr. Mark Hew Yoon Onn (UCE), Mr. Mohamad Ikmal Hisham Ashari (MTE).*



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Materials Technology and Energy



Reported by: Ir. Dr. Edwin Jong Nyon Tchan, IMM Miri Chapter Chairman

**Date: 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Venue: Curtin University Malaysia, Miri, Sarawak**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Materials Technology and Energy (ICMTE 2019) was successfully held for the second time in Miri, Sarawak at Curtin University Malaysia (CUM) from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019, inclusive of the first two days of oral technical presentation and on the third day, all delegates were given the free choice to choose either participating in the half-day of welding masterclass in the interpretation of industry welding codes to ASME Section IX requirements or a half-day technical and educational visitation to the Bio Valley Park pilot plant which is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and equipment located at CUM.

Based on the conference registration records, ICMTE 2019 had again attracted over 120 conference delegates with varying international backgrounds from Australia, India, China, Indonesia, Singapore, Saudi Arabia, Brunei, and within various states of Malaysia, including scholars, researchers, industrial professionals and practitioners in the fields of Materials and Corrosion Engineering, Green Technology, equipment manufacturing, electrical & electronics, Green Energy and all other related industrial sectors. From the two-day conference, it was recorded that the 2<sup>nd</sup> ICMTE had covered a total of seven (7) keynote speeches and 54 technical and research papers including engineering, technological and scientific aspects, such as Materials & Manufacturing, Green Energy, Green Materials, Materials Construction and Industrial Technology.

This international conference was jointly organized by The Institution of Engineers Malaysia Miri Branch (IEM-Miri), Institute of Materials, Malaysia, Miri Regional Chapter (IMM-Miri), and Curtin University Malaysia (CUM) with the conference theme, "Advanced Materials, New Energy Technologies, Disruptive Technologies, Digital Innovations". In addition, the conference organizing committee also expressed their sincere gratitude to all conference sponsors as the conference was financially sponsored by Serba Dinamik (SD), Sarawak Convention Bureau (SCB), Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture Sarawak, Minister of Transport Sarawak and supported by the Miri City Council (MCC) (Figure 1). The conference also enjoyed the honor of Institute of Physics United Kingdom (IOP) as partner publisher for its conference proceedings.

On the first day of the conference, all registered speakers and participants came early to report for the conference (Figure 2).



Figure 1: Backdrop of the 2<sup>nd</sup> ICMTE-2019



Figure 2: A view on the registration of conference participants

The ICMTE 2019 was officiated by Ir. David Lai Kong Phooi, President of The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia (IEM) (Figure 4). Also present were Dr. Yam Ke San (Organizing Chairperson of ICMTE 2019 as indicated in Figure 4), Pro Vice-Chancellor, President and Chief Executive of Curtin

University Malaysia, Prof. Jim Mienczakowski, Deputy Pro Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Beena Giridharan, Acting FOES Dean Assoc. Prof. Vincent Lee and IMM Miri Chapter Chairman, Ir. Dr. Edwin Jong as evident in Figure 5.



Figure 3: IEM President as the Guest of Honor for the conference; 2<sup>nd</sup> ICMTE Organizing Chairman delivered his welcoming speech; ICMTE-2019 Opening Ceremony officiated by IEM President

On the first day evening of the conference, the joint organizing committee also hosted a welcoming conference dinner at Grand Palace Hotel, Miri with 10 banquet tables for all registered participants from 6.30 pm until 11.00 pm. During the dinner, several Sarawak cultural dances (i.e. Melanau and Bidayuh or Land Dayaks) were presented to welcome our conference participants (Figure 4).



Figure 4: Welcoming Conference Dinner at Grand Palace Hotel, Miri, Sarawak

From the participants' feedbacks of this conference, it was evident that this conference had indeed provided them with an effective platform amongst the industrial practitioners and academic researchers to have an international networking and exchanging technical ideas, knowledge and information on developments and innovations in the fields of materials engineering, green technology and green energy, and particularly eco-friendly and long-term sustainable solutions in structures, materials and manufacturing, and the environment, energy and resources striving towards achieving the requirements of Industry Revolution 4.0. ICMTE 2019 also served to create linkages globally and cooperation between academia and industries, as well as innovative solutions for the materials technology and green energy for industries from all sectors. In developing countries such as Malaysia, the materials technology and green energy sectors play an important role in the national development. The dissemination of cutting-edge technology and research are also an essence towards creating national development and improvements in order to keep abreast globally with the advancement of technologies as per the Industrial 4.0 criteria.

In addition, the parallel oral presentations covered various key research areas of materials technology and green energy such as materials engineering, materials manufacturing, green materials, green energy, materials construction, industrial technology and their applications in oil and gas, petrochemical, renewable energy, wastewater treatment, produced water treatment, cleaner production technology, hydro and solar power generations.



The two-day conference was officially completed and closed with a vote of thanks by IMM-Miri Chairman, Ir. Dr. Edwin Jong to all conference participants. He further highlighted that the joint organizing committee have also decided to organize the 3rd ICMTE in 2021 and would like to meet all participants again in Miri, Sarawak in 2021.

On the third day of the conference, all participants were given a free choice to choose either a half- day participating in the industrial welding masterclass (Figure 5) or a half-day technical and educational tour to the Bio Valley Park pilot plant located at Curtin University Malaysia Figure 6).



Figure 5: A view of the Industrial Welding Masterclass conducted by Dr. Bernard Sim with some of the conference participants



Figure 6: Bio Valley Technical and Educational Visitation at CUM

After the half day industrial welding masterclass and the educational tour to the Bio Valley Park pilot plant; i.e., in the afternoon of the third day, IMM-Miri committee members had voluntarily arranged a free historical tour for some conference participants to visit some of Miri City attractions, especially the Marina Park City where the huge Seahorse statue, the mascot of Miri City is located, the Miri Grand Old Lady (Miri Oil Well No. 1) (Figures 7) which is located on Canada Hill in Miri, Sarawak. Canada Hill is also known as Bukit Telaga Minyak by the locals and it is popular for its first oil well drilled in 1910.

On behalf of IMM-Miri, we would like to bid farewell to all conference participants to have a safe journey back home and hope to see all of you again in the 3<sup>rd</sup> ICMTE in 2021.

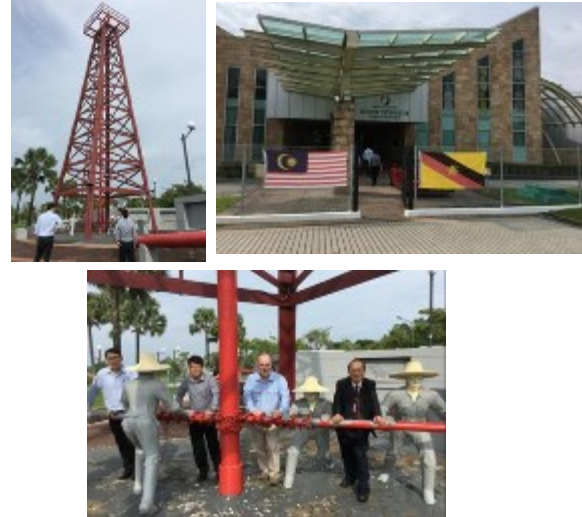


Figure 7: A historical tour for some conference participants

## IMM-UiTM Student Chapter Academic Visit to 1-Day Conference: Disruptive Technologies in Materials Corrosion and Inspection



Reported by: Nur Aqilah Mohd Zunaidi, IMM-UiTM Student Chapter secretary  
Reviewed by: Ts. Dr. Tay Chia Chay, Universiti Teknologi MARA, Shah Alam

**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019**  
**Venue: Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur**

On 17th October 2019, a total of 20 students from IMM-UiTM Student Chapter, Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM), Shah Alam participated in Disruptive Technologies in Materials Corrosion and Inspection Conference 2019. This conference was organized by the Corrosion Committee of Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) at Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. This 1-day conference focused on the disruptive technologies in corrosion as well as inspection management to exhibit the latest technologies that are relevant with the era of Industry Revolution 4.0 such as robotics, automation, data analytics and artificial intelligence. The event started with an opening speech by the IMM President, Mr. Mohd. Azmi Mohd. Noor and continued with speech by expert speakers and panels from various industries related to corrosion management. Realizing the importance of Industry 4.0, experts and engineers from industries as well as academicians and scientists presented on the latest corrosion technologies and smart technology. The speakers and professionals have shared their vast experiences in handling the corrosion issues and the latest technology used in the industry through specific case study.

The students also toured the exhibition hall during the conference and grabbed a chance to meet with the exhibitors,

professionals and experts in the industry who were showcasing and sharing their technologies as well as innovations and products related to corrosion. It was a great opportunity for the students to enhance their knowledge in materials science and technology studies as well as instilled interest in scientific innovations. The input of the conference was beneficial and informative to the students with a great speech from academicians and experts from various industry. Through this event, students also extended their networking with industries. Last but not least, student members from IMM-UiTM Student Chapter would like to express our sincere gratitude towards the Corrosion Committee of IMM for inviting us to join this professional, warm and friendly event. We hope to grab the opportunity to join this event in the future.



Figure 1: Group photo of IMM-UiTM Student Chapter who attending the conference



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# IMM International Applied Vibration Conference 2019: “Vibration Technology in the Era of Industrial Revolution 4.0”



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**Date: 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019**  
**Venue: Sheraton Imperial, Kuala Lumpur**

In the current era of Industrial Revolution 4.0 (IR 4.0), we have witnessed countless disruptions in multiple industries caused by technological advancements in the form of Industrial Internet of Things, Artificial Intelligence, Automation, Predictive Data Analytics and more. IR 4.0 pillar technology also gains traction within the realm of vibration technology that is prevalent as diagnostic and analytical tools across various industries such as oil and gas, automotive, marine and more. Therefore, Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) Vibration Committee proudly hosted its annual International Applied Vibration Conference (IAViC) 2019. As the pioneer of vibration technical community in Malaysia, IMM Vibration Committee was proud to organize its annual event, the IAViC 2019 with the theme ‘Vibration Technology in the Era of IR 4.0’. The event began with a strong address on vibration technology relevance in IR 4.0 through the welcoming remarks by Dato’ Dr. Ir. Mohd. Abdul Karim Abdullah, the Chairman of IMM Vibration Committee. This was followed by the opening speech by the President of IMM, Ts. Mohd. Azmi Mohd. Noor and the first presentation ‘Acoustic Signal Based Fault Diagnosis using Machine Learning’ by the distinguished Prof. Mohammad Fard, from Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT).

Following the morning tea break and visit to the exhibition booths, the stage once again welcomed Dato’ Dr. Ir. Mohd. Abdul Karim Abdullah, the Group CEO of Serba Dinamik Holdings Bhd to deliver a technical Keynote presentation on ‘The Future of Vibration Monitoring with SMART Maintenance’. SMART Maintenance is a cloud-based software developed in-house by Serba Dinamik IT Solutions Sdn Bhd and partners to serve as an integrated Digital Transformation Platform empowered with IoT Frameworks, Big Data Analytics, Artificial Intelligence and Immersive Technology (XR). The event maintained the wide range of exciting topics by inviting the third speaker of Day-1, Kdr. Ir. Dr. Arman Ariffin, from Royal Malaysian Navy to deliver his presentation on ‘Vibration Analysis for Ship Acoustics Signature’. The morning session continued with Dr. Mohd. Amzar Azizan, senior lecturer from UniKL on ‘How Vibrations in Cars Make Drivers Sleepy’ based on his reputable background as trainer in helicopter health monitoring and have managed for over 30 helicopters operated globally. Mr. Shahrman Sahib, the HUMS Manager for Weststar Aviation Services Sdn Bhd presented the development and effectiveness of ‘Vibration Health Monitoring’ in terms of helicopter operational safety. With industrial case studies and reports presented as well, he managed to encapsulate the niche topic clearly and ended the morning session of Day-1.



Figure 1: : Group Photo Session on Day-1

After the group-photo session and luncheon, Mr. Paul Crowther presented on ‘Vibration Risks and Mitigation Techniques when Debottlenecking on Petrochemical and Oil

& Facilities’ followed by Ir. Salim Sumormo from PETRONAS, on ‘Remote Machinery Monitoring & Prescriptive Diagnostic System’. The evening session began with a presentation delivered by Mr. Lorenzo Perez, Bently Nevada Application & Solution Architect for APAC at Baker Hughes. Mr. Perez delivered a highly technical content on ‘Gearbox Diagnostic with Sideband Energy’. Mr. Nizmar from MARIi then presented his talk entitled ‘New Horizons for Data Driven Industrial Smart Data’ by focusing on digital transformation, digitalization, electrification and mechanization also a little bit word on how smart manufacturing with Big Data Analytics (BDA) and Cloud Computing. The last technical presentation of the day was delivered by Mr. Khairul Anwar from PETRONAS who shared the fundamentals of PROTEAN for it to be able to detect the anomalies related to vibration issue and how it instigated best practices on data-driven maintenance by providing accurate insights to the end user.

Capping off the exciting first day of IAViC, the stage welcomed distinguished panellists for the first forum of the event: ‘Vibration Technology in The Era of Industrial Revolution 4.0’. Moderated by Assoc. Prof. Ir. Dr. Nadiahnor Md. Yusop from Universiti Teknologi MARA, the panellists for the forum were Dato’ Dr. Ir. Mohd. Abdul Karim Abdullah, Prof. Mohammad Fard, Dr. Qing Ou and Ir. Mohd Syukri Mohd Khalid. This forum thoroughly dissected the current scene of IR 4.0 in Malaysia and probing the question of our readiness to become the front-runner of vibration technology in this current industrial revolution. Each panel member successfully provided insightful academic and industrial perspectives to the probing questions delivered by the moderator and sharing their current initiatives.

Carrying the momentum of Day-1, the first presentation for Day-2 of IAViC 2019 was on automotive ergonomics, delivered by Prof. Reza Jazar of RMIT University, Australia. He provided a useful insight on ‘Flat Ride Vibration Optimization and Ride Comfort’ where he highlighted the subject of vibration mode and vehicle design to relate to the flat ride condition. Ir. Mohd Syukri from Sarawak Shell Bhd wasted no time going into the deep end of oil and gas equipment vibration analysis with his topic of ‘Machinery Reliability Vibration Monitoring without Noticeable Shaft Vibration Excitation for Assessment’. The session continued with Ir. Dr. Zainal Fitri Zainal Abidin from University Kuala Lumpur Malaysia France Institute (*UniKL MFI*). This decorated academician provided a unique content to the conference by focusing his discussion on current noise & vibration regulations imposed on automotive business and how it affected the consumer, automakers and the environment. Following his presentation and morning break, Mr. Kazuhito Kato, from NHK Spring Co Ltd, maintained the theme of automotive vibration as he presented on ‘Quantitative Evaluation and Model-Development for Automotive Seat Ride Comfort’.

Concluding the morning session was Forum 2: ‘Recent Advances of Vibration Technology Applied in Vehicle and Transportation Engineering’. Joining the session moderated by Prof. Dr. Andy Tan Chit Tan of *University Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR)* were the panellists Assoc. Prof. Ir. Dr. Zainal Fitri, Mr. Kazuhito Kato, Mr. Abdul Qaiyum Alidin and Mr. Izwan Sabri. The distinguished line up of vibration experts in the transportation and automotive industry were able to provide a holistic view on the past, present and approaching technological capabilities in the industry. After the lunch and exhibition tour, the conference continued with the first afternoon session by Dr. Patrick from Doshin Rubber Products (M) Sdn Bhd on ‘Rubber Isolation Technology in

Mitigating the Effects of Vibration'. Dr. Patrick shared the working concept of a base-isolated structure to the high damping natural rubber bearings (HDNRB). He also highlighted the major achievements and statistical data of HDNRB performance which has been crucial to the success of Doshin Rubber. Shortly after, Dr. Qing Ou from New Zealand representing Agen Ltd came on stage to present on IR 4.0 pillar technology, specifically on 'How Internet of Things Change the Way We Do Machine Condition Monitoring'.

The IAViC 2019 ended well with Forum 3 entitled 'Issues and Potential in Human and Machine Vibration' moderated by Dr. Ahmad Salahuddin from Universiti Putra Malaysia. The invited panel members Prof. Reza Jazar of RMIT University and Dr. Amzar Azizan of the Malaysian Institute of Aviation Technology (MIAT), representing the research universities; Mr. Shahrman Sahib from the WESTSTAR Aviation and Ir. Sundralingam from PETRONAS representing the industries. Human-machine vibration research is reviewed from the point of view of how this working environment condition affects different types of human performance capabilities. Concluding the conference, the closing remarks were given by IAViC 2019 Conference Chair from Serba Dinamik IT Solutions, Mr. Abdul Qaiyum who briefly spoke about the key items to wrap up the whole 2-days conference successfully.

In conclusion, at IAViC 2019 these are 10 brief key items that has been concluded from the 2-days conference:

IAViC as a conference this year has successfully gathered speakers and participants from Malaysia and also internationally such as Australia, Japan, New Zealand, and Europe, and this conference has become a platform for members especially experts to share cutting edge technology and to discuss latest updates or matters on vibration related topics.

The Vibration community at IAViC 2019 acknowledges vibration as a specialised field that will also be facing IR4.0 disruption and IR 4.0 is very important to be embraced across industries especially oil and gas, automotive, rail, aviation & aerospace, maritime, and transportation & infrastructure.



Figure 2: : Group Photo Session on Day-2

Big Data and Artificial Intelligence has been highlighted as key enabler for academics and industry players to adopt in research and industrial applications related to vibration technology.

IAViC awill continue to be a platform to encourage more technology-based proposals which have potential to be applied such as defence technology for maritime engineering.

Additional support is needed for industrial based conference, such as IAViC, in Malaysia in order to attract more interests or activities in vibration technology.

The Vibration community at IAViC 2019 has addressed the importance of IR 4.0 and IAViC as an annual international gathering in the future will enable to accelerate many significant collaborations between academia and industry.

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## 1-Day Workshop on Thermal Behavior of Polymers



Reported by: Dr. Lee Xiau Yeen, Tunku Abdul Rahman University College, Secretary of IMM Polymer Committee  
Suhaila Idayu Abdul Halim, Universiti Teknologi MARA, Organizing Chairperson of 1-Day Workshop on Thermal Behavior of Polymers

Reviewed by: Ts Dr. Chew Khoon Hee, Tunku Abdul Rahman University College, Chairman of Polymer Committee

**Date: 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019**

**Venue: Faculty of Applied Sciences (FSG), Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Shah Alam**

The 1-Day Workshop on Thermal Behavior of Polymers was successfully held in the Faculty of Applied Sciences (FSG), UiTM Shah Alam on 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019. This event was organized by the Postgraduate Chemistry Club (PCC), an association club of UiTM and Institut Kimia Malaysia (IKM) and IMM was one of the collaborating partners together with ITS and SETARAM.

The objective of this workshop was to offer a comprehensive training comprising of theoretical and practical approaches that focused on the thermal properties of polymers. Besides, it also provided a platform for sharing of knowledge among the participants and speakers.

The workshop was officiated by Prof. Dr. Mansur Ahmad, Head of the School of Industrial Technology, FSG. Prof Dr. Mansur Ahmad acknowledged and appreciated the initiative taken by PCC, co-organizers and collaborators in order to make this event a success.

The workshop started with a detailed introduction on polymers such as concept of polymer, polymer structure, polymer classifications and its properties by Prof. Ts. Dr. Chan Chin Han from FSG, UiTM, who is also the advisor of PCC. Dr. Wong Yoke Ming of ITS shared with the participants the general working principles and operations of TGA and DSC before the hands-on session.

Prof. Ts. Dr. Chan Chin Han then introduced the techniques used for analyzing TGA and DSC results. Handouts of various thermal properties data were distributed to participants for practicing the analysis techniques. This was followed by demonstration and explanation on how to operate a DSC instrument by Ms. Phene Neoh of ITS. Prof. Emeritus Dr. Jean -Marc Saiter from the University of Rouen (France) shared his experience in performing the thermal analysis tests as well as his knowledge on interpretation of TGA & DSC results.

The workshop concluded with the closing remarks by the Organizing Chairperson, Ms. Suhaila Idayu Abdul Halim from UiTM. In her closing remarks, she expressed her greatest appreciation for the commitment, effort and cooperation from all PCC committee members, co-organizers, collaborators, speakers and participants for making this workshop fruitful and a big success.



## 32<sup>nd</sup> Asian Welding Federation Meeting



Reported by : Dr. Mohamed Ackiel Mohamed, Serba Dinamik Group Bhd, IMM Council Member

**Date: 23<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**Venue: Ramada Encore Gimpo Han River Hotel**

The 32<sup>nd</sup> Asian Welding Federation (AWF) Meeting was held on 23<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at the Ramada Encore Gimpo Han River Hotel. It was jointly co-hosted by the Korean Welding and Joining Society (KWJS) and the Korean Welding Industry Cooperative (KWIC) in conjunction with Tool Tech 2019 exhibition, which was held at the Korea International Exhibition Center (KINTEX) in Seoul. Participants included delegates from Korea, China, Japan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, India and Singapore.

On the first morning, the delegates met at the Ramada Encore hotel, where the meeting commenced with the review and approval of the previous council meeting.



Figure 1: During the AWF Meeting

The second day of the AWF meeting began in the morning, with the topic of discussion focusing on the requirements and implementation plan of the Common Welder Certification Scheme (CWCS) in the various member countries. The

establishment of a common certification scheme for welders has been a common goal since the founding of the AWF and is an integral part of the federation's aim of providing knowledge, skills, and qualifications to the people of Asia while supporting the Asian countries' economic development.

The Indonesian Welding Society was happy to announce that they had passed the CWCS application and are now ready to offer the CWCS certification system.

On the same afternoon, the delegates were brought to the KINTEX convention building, where the Tool Tech Exhibition 2019 was held. It was a large and eye-opening event, where the latest technologies available in the manufacturing industry were exhibited, such as virtual and augmented reality solutions, welding and cutting, 3D-printing, robotics and various wearable technologies.



Figure 2: Tool Tech Exhibition 2019

In the evening, the delegates had dinner at the KINTEX convention hall, where the guests were greeted by the hosts KWJS and KWIC. It was a good opportunity for the delegates to network and share about the welding developments and issues in their respective countries.

The third day of the meeting consisted of the AWF workshop and also auditor examination.

## Participation of IMM in Kuala Lumpur Engineering Science Fair 2019



Reported by: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lim Teck Hock, Chairman of IMM Student Chapter

**Date: 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2019**

**Venue: The MINES International Exhibition & Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur**

As part of IMM's continuous commitment to fulfil its mission to promote public understanding and appreciation of Chemistry, Student Chapter of Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) participated in the recent Kuala Lumpur Engineering Science Fair (KLESF) 2019 event, held from November 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 at the MINES International Exhibition & Convention Centre.

KLESF has proven itself as an effective platform for the promotion of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education in Malaysia since first organized in 2013 by the Malaysian Industry-Government Group for High Technology (MIGHT), Asean Academy of Engineering and Technology (AAET), Institution of Engineers Malaysia (IEM) and Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR).

KLESF enters its fifth edition in 2019 with an expected 70,000 visitors. This annual event has managed to attract more than 20 private and public universities, over 50 companies, multiple government agencies, and for foreign exhibitors from China and Hong Kong to participate in the three-day event.

Other than to promote IMM to the public, the IMM Student Chapter together with dedicated staff from IMM itself, Materials Technology Education Sdn. Bhd. (MTE) and UTAR-Student Chapter with an aim to enhance interest in Sciences and Engineering as a part of STEM education organized a hands-on workshop to demonstrate to the public on Materials Science that could be interesting, fun and relevant to both our daily life and our country's economy.

IMM's Student Chapter, with assistance from members of UTAR-IMM Student Chapter ran a workshop on 'Do It Yourself (DIY) Badge'. Visitors created their own badge designs and painted on a polymer which upon heating, the polymer shrank and hardened permanently. The hardened piece of polymers were then made into keychains for them to bring home.



Figure 1: Photos compilation during the KLESF 2019 event

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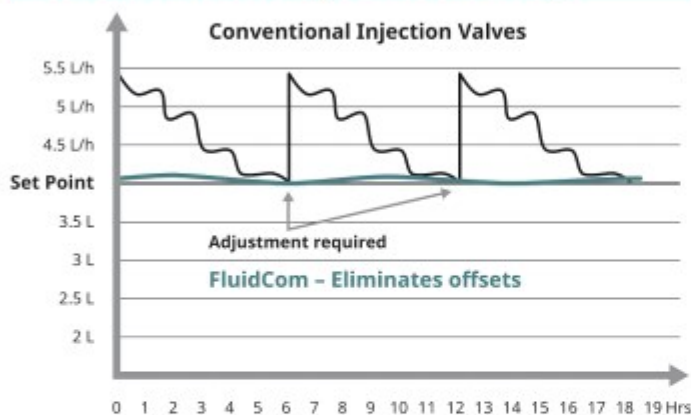
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# IMM Council 2020 – 2022

Prepared by: Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Melissa Chan Chin Han, Honorary Secretary of Institute of Materials, Malaysia

Dato' Dr. Ir. Hj. Mohd Abdul Karim Abdullah from Serba Dinamik Group Bhd filled the post of President of IMM. Ts. Dr. Chew Khoon Hee from Tunku Abdul Rahman University College was elected as Deputy President; Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Melissa Chan Chin Han from Faculty of Applied Sciences, Universiti Teknologi MARA, Shah Alam was elected as Honorary Secretary and Dr. Mohamed Ackiel Mohamed from Serba Dinamik Group Bhd was elected as Honorary Treasurer. The office-bearers of these positions will commence their duties starting on 30<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of IMM, which will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020.



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## Collaboration Between IMM and SIRIM STS Sdn Bhd on Standards Development



Reported by: N. Hithaya Jeevan, IMM Secretariat



The Institute of Materials, Malaysia (IMM) in its endeavour towards greater professionalism in its certification activities has signed an MOU with SIRIM STS (a wholly-owned subsidiary of SIRIM Bhd) which provides core services of standards development and related training and consultancy. The collaboration formalised in October 2019 for an initial period of 2 years and renewable thereafter has the principal objective of developing programmes in the areas relating to standards development and promotion of Industry Standards.

SIRIM STS has been involved in standards development over many years and has the proven expertise to enhance IMM in-house standards and also assist in the development of new standards as Industry Standards, all of which will also be used for compliance to IMM's competency certification schemes. IMM's certification courses are well recognized and endorsed in the oil and gas, shipbuilding and construction industries and this new effort in collaboration on standards development is in-line with the aspirations of IMM to continuously uplift and enhance its professionalism in competency development and certification of skilled professionals.

The first project that IMM intends to collaborate with SIRIM STS is the migration of the IMM in-house standard "Coating Fingerprint Overall Procedures for Paint Systems Using FTIR and Other Related Methods" (developed by IMM's Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting) into an Industry Standard and its subsequent promotion.

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**INSTITUTE OF MATERIALS, MALAYSIA****ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

Dear IMM Members,

On behalf of the IMM Council, I am pleased to present the report of the activities of IMM covering the period from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

**1. IMM COUNCIL AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

IMM Management Committee and Council meetings (Term 2018-2020) for the year 2019 were held as follows:

Date	Management Committee Meeting
25 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	5 <sup>th</sup> Management Committee Meeting
16 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	6 <sup>th</sup> Management Committee Meeting
17 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	7 <sup>th</sup> Management Committee Meeting
4 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	8 <sup>th</sup> Management Committee Meeting

Date	Council Meeting
25 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	4 <sup>th</sup> Council Meeting
16 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	5 <sup>th</sup> Council Meeting
17 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	6 <sup>th</sup> Council Meeting
4 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	7 <sup>th</sup> Council Meeting

An election was conducted within the Council, in accordance with Clause no. 6.2.2.2 of the IMM Constitution, for the posts of Deputy President, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer for the 2020-2022 Council term during the 7<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting (Term 2018-2020) on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at the Grand BlueWave Hotel Shah Alam.

In accordance with Clause no. 6.2.2.1 of the IMM Constitution, the position of IMM President for the term 2020-2022 will be filled by the current Deputy President, Dato' Dr. Ir. Hj. Mohd Abdul Karim Abdullah (HF-7442) from Serba Dinamik Group Bhd.

The office-bearers for the remaining key positions for the term 2020-2022 were filled from among the current Council members, as follows:

**i) Deputy President: Ts. Dr. Chew Khoo Hee (F-4355) from Tunku Abdul Rahman University College**

Proposer : Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lim Teck Hock (F-8210); and  
Dr. Yong Soon Kong (AO-7092)

Seconded : Prof. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Kamal Bin Harun (F-0117); and  
Mr. Danny Tan Kim Chew (O-7120)

**ii) Honorary Secretary: Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Melissa Chan Chin Han (F-4118) from Faculty of Applied Sciences, Universiti Teknologi MARA**

Proposer : Dr. Yong Soon Kong (AO-7092); and  
Ts. Dr. Tay Chia Chay (F-6742)

Seconded : Prof. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Kamal Bin Harun (F-0117); and  
Ts. Dr. Chew Khoo Hee (F-4355)

**iii) Honorary Treasurer: Dr. Mohamed Ackiel Mohamed (F-8237) from Serba Dinamik Group Berhad**

Proposer : Ts. Dr. Chew Khoo Hee (F-4355)

Seconded : Ts. Dr. Tay Chia Chay (F-6742)

**2. ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT IN THE YEAR 2019**

DATE	MEETING/EVENT/ACTIVITY
<b>Corrosion Committee</b> [Chair: Ir. Ong Hock Guan]	
4 <sup>th</sup> March	1 <sup>st</sup> Corrosion Committee Meeting
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Ir. Ong participated in the Industrial Advisory Panel (IAP) for UTP
24 <sup>th</sup> June	2 <sup>nd</sup> Corrosion Committee Meeting
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Seminar on "Corrosion Controls and Prevention in Rail Industry" followed by Site tour to Rapid Depot
19 <sup>th</sup> August	3 <sup>rd</sup> Corrosion Committee Meeting
17 <sup>th</sup> October	1-Day Conference on "Disruptive Technologies in Materials Corrosion and Inspection"
4 <sup>th</sup> December	4 <sup>th</sup> Corrosion Committee Meeting
<b>Education Committee</b> [Co-Chairs: Prof. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Kamal Bin Harun and Ir. Max Ong Chong Hup]	
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Technical Visit to Cenviro Waste Management Facility



<b>Examination and Certification Panel</b> [Chair: Ts. Brian Lim Siong Chung]	
31 <sup>st</sup> July	1 <sup>st</sup> Examination and Certification Panel (ECP) Meeting
22 <sup>nd</sup> August	2 <sup>nd</sup> Examination and Certification Panel (ECP) Meeting
11 <sup>th</sup> October	3 <sup>rd</sup> Examination and Certification Panel (ECP) Meeting
15 <sup>th</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> Examination and Certification Panel (ECP) Meeting
<b>Golf Committee</b> [Chair: Ts. Mohd. Azmi Mohd. Noor]	
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Participation in MOGEC Golf Championship 2019
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Participation in Post Conference Friendly Golf
<b>Insulation Committee</b> [Chair: Mr. Danny Tan Kim Chew]	
August	Discussion with Institute of Corrosion (UK) for Insulation Applicator Training Scheme (IATS).
<b>Materials Lecture Competition Committee</b> [Chair: Prof. Dr. Esah Hamzah]	
14 <sup>th</sup> March	MLC2019 Competition (University Level)
4 <sup>th</sup> April	MLC2019 Competition (Semi-Final)
30 <sup>th</sup> April	MLC2019 Competition (Final)
September	Preliminary preparations/planning (Checklist & proposed budget between IMM and UPM) for MLC 2020
5 <sup>th</sup> September	Mock Presentation for YPWLC2019 by Mr. Lam Jia Yong, Finalist MLC2019
10 <sup>th</sup> October	2019 Young Persons' World Lecture Competition Final
21 <sup>st</sup> November	MLC2020 Committee Meeting

<b>Materials Mind Editorial Board</b> [Chair: Ts. Dr. Tay Chia Chay]	
January	Publication of Materials Mind Magazine (Issue 23)
April	Publication of Materials Mind Magazine (Issue 24)
July	Publication of Materials Mind Magazine (Issue 25)
October	Publication of Materials Mind Magazine (Issue 26)
<b>Polymer Committee</b> [Chair: Ts. Dr. Chew Khoo Hee]	
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Forum on "Using Technology to Address Global Plastic & Environmental Issues"
7 <sup>th</sup> November	1-Day Workshop on "Thermal Behaviour of Polymers"
<b>Standard Assurance Committee</b> [Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Amalina Muhammad Afifi]	
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Committee Meeting
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Attended the ISO 17024 Conformity Training (Four committee members)
27 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Internal Audit of IMM for the accreditation to MS ISO/IEC 17024
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Internal Audit of IMMR for the accreditation to MS ISO/IEC 17024
17 <sup>th</sup> and 23 <sup>th</sup> December	Verification of Internal Audit Findings
<b>Student Chapter</b> [Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lim Teck Hock]	
29 <sup>th</sup> August	Memorandum of Understanding Signing Ceremony Between IMM and Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UTHM)
1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Exhibition at KLESF (Kuala Lumpur Engineering Science Fair)







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<b>Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting</b> [Co-Chairs: Prof. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Kamal Bin Harun and Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Melissa Chan Chin Han]	
23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Discussion with IMM Secretariat on Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting Activities
24 <sup>th</sup> January	3 <sup>rd</sup> Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting Meeting
1 <sup>st</sup> March	1 <sup>st</sup> Coating Fingerprinting Forum V Meeting
8 <sup>th</sup> March	1 <sup>st</sup> Workshop for Blasting and Painting on Polymeric Paint Samples
16 <sup>th</sup> March	2 <sup>nd</sup> Workshop for Blasting and Painting on Polymeric Paint Samples
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Meeting on Collaboration with SIRIM STS Division for the Development of IMM Coating Fingerprinting Standard
26 <sup>th</sup> March	2 <sup>nd</sup> Coating Fingerprinting Forum V Meeting
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Forum on "Towards Polymeric Coating Fingerprinting" V Big Wave
9 <sup>th</sup> May	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mock-Execution Subcommittee Meeting
15 <sup>th</sup> May	3 <sup>rd</sup> Workshop for Blasting and Painting on Polymeric Paint Samples
24 <sup>th</sup> July	4 <sup>th</sup> Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting Meeting
24 <sup>th</sup> October (Morning)	Factory Visit to JOTUN
24 <sup>th</sup> October	5 <sup>th</sup> Task Force on Coating Fingerprinting Meeting
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Meeting on Migration of IMM Standard to SIRIM Industry Standard with SIRIM STS Sdn Bhd
<b>Task Force on Upskilling Sarawak Engineers &amp; Technicians</b> [Chair: Ir. Pau Kiew Huai]	
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Task Force Meeting
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Participated in one-day Conference on "Sabah Oil & Gas Skill Needs"
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Task Force Meeting
<b>Vibration Committee</b> [Chair: Dato' Dr. Ir. Hj. Mohd Abdul Karim Abdullah]	
11 April	1 <sup>st</sup> Vibration Committee Meeting
19 August	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vibration Committee Meeting
13 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> November	International Applied Vibration Conference 2019 (IAVIC 2019)
<b>Website Committee</b> [Chair: Dr. Yong Soon Kong]	
8 <sup>th</sup> January	Meeting with Website Committee

9 <sup>th</sup> January	Performed troubleshooting of security threats on IMM website and email
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Completion of the troubleshooting and maintenance of IMM website and website traffic
14 <sup>th</sup> October	Handover meeting with IMM Secretariat on maintenance of IMM website, mobile phone, and all social media portals
15 <sup>th</sup> October	Submission of final documentation for the application of eGHL online payment gateway to SMD Webtech (M)Sdn. Bhd
<b>Welding Committee</b> [Chair: Ms. Tan Su Anne]	
19 <sup>th</sup> April	Memorandum of Understanding Signing Ceremony Between IMM and Prasarana Malaysia Berhad
24 <sup>th</sup> April	Participation in Asia WeldTech 2019 Malaysia Seminar
25 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Participation in Asian Welding Federation Council Meeting (Bangi, Selangor)
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Common Welding Certification Schemes (CWCS) Taskforce Meeting and Magnetically Impelled Arc Butt (MIAB) Welding Workshop
17 <sup>th</sup> August	Presentation of IMM and Welding Committee services at charity dinner organized by Kejuruteraan Kawan Lama Sdn Bhd
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Participation in Asian Welding Federation Council Meeting (Incheon, South Korea)
<b>Young Professionals Committee</b> [Chair: Mr. Mohd Fairuz Mohd Salleh]	
23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2019	Certificate of Collaboration Signing Ceremony between IMM and Politeknik Kota Kinabalu
24 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	Industrial Dialogue in conjunction with the TVET Career Carnival Sabah 2019 by Politeknik Kota Kinabalu
10 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Youth Forum on Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) - In conjunction with the Sabah Oil & Gas Conference & Exhibition 2019 (SOGCE 2019)

<b>Miri Chapter</b> [Chair: Ir. Dr. Edwin Jong Nyon Tchan]	
9 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	1 <sup>st</sup> Miri Chapter Meeting cum Member Get-Together and Lantern Festival Dinner
13 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Participation in the Sarawak O&G Seminar & Exhibition (SOGSE) 2019
18 <sup>th</sup> May	2 <sup>nd</sup> Miri Chapter Meeting cum “Buka Puasa Dinner” and Farewell Dinner to Curtin-IMM Student Advisor, Dr Sumaiya Islam
13 <sup>th</sup> July	3 <sup>rd</sup> Miri Chapter Meeting cum “Sarawak Day & Member Get-Together Dinner”
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Opened a bank account in Miri to be used by Miri Chapter for all IMM related activities and projects
14 <sup>th</sup> September	4 <sup>th</sup> Miri Chapter Meeting cum “Malaysia Day & Member Get-Together Dinner”
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	5 <sup>th</sup> Miri Chapter Meeting for 2019 cum “Deepavali Celebration & Farewell Dinner for Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vincent Lee, Vice-Chairman”
6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Participation in 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Materials Technology and Energy (ICMTE) 2019 at Curtin University Malaysia
<b>Sabah Chapter</b> [Chair: Mr. Zubaidi Abang Zamhari]	
10 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Youth Forum on Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) - In conjunction with the Sabah Oil & Gas Conference & Exhibition 2019 (SOGCE 2019)
<b>Other Activities</b>	
25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Participation of IMM Secretariat in "Bengkel Manual Akreditasi Program Teknologi dan Teknikal" by MBOT

25 <sup>th</sup> January	Appreciation Dinner by Management Committee with IMM Past Advisor, Datuk Ir. (Dr.) Abdul Rahim Hashim
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Participation of IMM Secretariat in "Program Taklimat Pengurusan Berkualiti" by ROS
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	IMM 29 <sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Assessment of IMM members as Technologists (Ts) by the Malaysian Board of Technologists

**3. HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES IN 2019**

FULL REPORT ON SECTION 3. CAN BE ACCESSED ELECTRONICALLY ON IMM WEBSITE ([www.iomm.org.my](http://www.iomm.org.my)).

**4. SUMMARY AND MOVING FORWARD**

The various expert and other working committees continued to play their roles effectively and carried out activities such as meetings, conferences and seminars, and collaborations. Nevertheless, the year 2019 was a challenging one for IMM with some new initiatives. The migration of training coordination to IMMR-CTU, the introduction of new certification programmes as well as the discontinuation of some legacy programmes, and IMM’s commitment and efforts towards standardisation are all worthy of mention.

The IMM Management Committee and the IMM Council would like to express their sincere gratitude to all members of the Working Committees, Regional Chapters, staff of the IMM Secretariat and IMMR and other parties for their continuous effort and support in fulfilling the objectives of IMM.

To remain relevant and competitive, IMM will continue to keep moving forward with new initiatives and improving existing systems. We look forward to a successful 2020.

On behalf of the Council



Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Melissa Chan Chin Han

Honorary Secretary, IMM

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